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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Christopher COMMONS et al.

Serial No. 10/002,627

Group Art Unit:

Confirmation No. 1966

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Examiner:

For: AUTOMATIC IDENTIFICATION OF DVD TITLE USING INTERNET TECHNOLOGIES
AND FUZZY MATCHING TECHNIQUES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please ~~INSERT~~ the following paragraph between the title and the heading
"BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION" on page 1:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION(S)

AI [0000] This application is related to and claims priority to the U.S. provisional patent application entitled AUTOMATIC IDENTIFICATION OF DVD TITLE USING INTERNET TECHNOLOGIES AND FUZZY MATCHING TECHNIQUES, having serial number 60/251,023, by Christopher P. Commons and Piero Madar, filed December 5, 2000 and incorporated by reference herein.

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted to amend the specification to provide the claim and reference to the related provisional application as required by 35 U.S.C. § 120.

It is respectfully requested that this Preliminary Amendment be entered in the above-referenced application.